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ABSTRACT

1. This report reviews the major ground forces developments in Honan Province observed on photography of October, November, and December 1972. The report contains text, one map, two photographs, and two tables.

INTRODUCTION

2. Almost total coverage and generally clear photography from [redacted] permitted a detailed search of Honan Province. A number of major developments were noted, 12 ground forces installations were newly identified (Figure 1, Table 1), and a nearly



FIGURE 1. NEWLY IDENTIFIED MILITARY INSTALLATIONS
HONAN PROVINCE, CHINA

Table 1. Newly Identified Military Installations, Honan Province, China (October-December 1972)
(Item numbers keyed to Figure 1)

Item No.	Installation Name (Ref Number)	Geographic Coordinates	Order-of-Battle	Remarks
1	Lin-hsien Armor Tng Area AL 1	36-01-20N 113-45-00E	None discernible	Thirty-four dummy tanks were observed in the training area.
2	Hsin-hsian Army Bks North	35-00-05N 113-51-20E	8 TFP/TMP pontons 7 cargo trucks	The pontons were on carriers.
3	Yink-hao Army Bks	34-16-04N 111-39-09E	6 FA pieces 12 cargo trucks	
4	Ying-hao Hq & Army Bks	34-17-48N 111-38-35E	3 cargo trucks	
5	Mien-chih Army Bks	34-15-00N 111-44-50E	None discernible	
6	Hsin-an Army Bks	34-13-00N 112-07-20E	19 cargo trucks 6 pieces of equipment	
7	Cheng-chou Army Bks North	34-18-20N 113-39-30E	16 AAA pieces 22 cargo trucks	Ten of the AAA pieces were in two nearby villages.
8	Cheng-chou Prob AAA Div Hq	34-17-00N 113-40-10E	12 57MM AAA pieces 9 37MM AAA pieces 3 TFP-4 AAA MG 13 poss 4-ton BEPLIFT trucks 24 cargo trucks 1 FIRE C&I radar 1 PUATO-6 fire directors	
9	Fai-sha Toss Army Bks West	34-23-00N 112-31-30E	12 FA pieces	
10	Fao-feng Prob Armored Veh Maint Pac	33-52-10N 113-04-00E	3 armored vehicles 6 cargo trucks	
11	Pi-yang Armor Training Area	32-39-40N 113-31-30E	13 tanks 34 cargo trucks	At least 15 dummy tanks were scattered throughout the training area.
12	Hsin-yang Army Bks South	32-05-20N 114-04-30E	3 cargo trucks	

Table 2. Ground Forces Weapons, Honan Province, China (October-December 1972)

Item	Sighting	Location	Geographic Coordinates	Order-of-Battle	Remarks
1	Armor	Shui-yeh Army Bks NE AL 1	36-08-37N 114-07-09E	16 tanks, 8 armored vehicles	
2	Artillery	Fai-tan-kou Army Bks AL 1	35-37-00N 114-48-10E	3 FA pieces	
3	Artillery	Hui-hsien Army Bks AL 2	35-30-20N 113-33-50E	12 prob AAA pieces	
4	Artillery	Hui-hsien Army Bks AL 3	35-32-00N 113-40-15E	11 field guns 10 prob mortars	
5	Artillery	Hsin-hsian Army Bks AL 1	35-24-00N 113-49-44E	10 FA pieces 9 poss mortars	
6	Artillery	Kai-feng Army Bks AL 5	34-17-30N 114-23-30E	18 FA pieces	
7	Artillery	Kai-feng Prob Bks East	34-16-55N 114-20-55E	12 prob mortars	
8	Artillery	Huang-chao-hsien Army Bks AL 1	34-59-00N 113-31-00E	14 AAA pieces	
9	Artillery	Huang-ho-pei-an Army Bks AL 2	34-57-00N 113-31-00E	6 AAA pieces	
10	Artillery	Cheng-chou Airfield	34-16-39N 113-43-25E	24 AAA pieces	The AAA batteries were deployed around the airfield.
11	Artillery	Cheng-chou Special Defense Mound 1	34-14-10N 113-50-15E	4 FA pieces	
12	Artillery	Cheng-chou Arty Sch 4th	34-15-10N 113-37-45E	11 FA pieces 35 AAA pieces	
13	Artillery	Chen-wa-chieh Army Bks AL 1	34-10-34N 112-26-32E	6 AAA pieces	
14	Artillery	Tung-yang Army Bks	34-19-10N 113-19-40E	6 prob AAA pieces	

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Table 2. Continued

Item	Sighting	Location	Geographic Coordinates	Order-of-Battle	Remarks
15	Artillery	Junk-yank Pass Army Bks	34-47-10N 113-22-10E	11 prob 57MM AAA pieces 20 prob 37MM AAA pieces	
16	Artillery	Cheng-chou Special Defensive Mound 2	34-31-00N 113-51-45E	4 FA pieces	
17	Artillery	Lo-yang Complex	34-41-28N 112-28-15E	21 FA pieces	
18	Artillery	Lo-yang Army Bks NE	34-41-50N 112-29-40E	8 AAA pieces	
19	Artillery	Yen-shih Ammo Depot Lt 1	34-44-06N 112-48-37E	3 AAA pieces	
20	Artillery	Teng-feng Army Bks AL 1	34-29-00N 113-00-30E	6 FA pieces	
21	Artillery	I-Chuan Army Bks AL 1	34-25-05N 112-24-40E	3 FA pieces	
22	Artillery	I-Chuan Army Bks AL 2	34-26-15N 112-25-50E	10 FA pieces	
23	Artillery	I-Chuan Army Bks AL 3	34-26-10N 112-24-50E	6 FA pieces	
24	Artillery	Lin-ju-chen Cave Stor Area 4 Ammo Bks	34-18-50N 112-39-10E	6 AAA pieces	
25	Artillery	Hsu-chang Inf Div Hq & Army Bks AL 5	34-02-38N 113-49-23E	39 FA pieces	
26	Artillery	Hsu-chang Army Bks AL 4	33-57-44N 113-42-50E	6 AAA pieces	
27	Armor	Pao-feng Army Bks AL 3	33-53-10N 112-59-40E	19 tanks, 15 assault guns	
28	Armor	Pao-feng Army Bks AL 2	33-49-50N 113-09-00E	4 tanks, 1 armored vehicle	
29	Armor	Ping-ting-shan Army Bks	33-48-50N 113-15-40E	23 tanks, 1 poss tank	
30	Armor	Ping-ting-shan Poss Army Bks AL 4	33-43-10N 113-15-05E	9 tanks	
31	Artillery	Ping-ting-shan Pet Prods Stor Bks	33-44-24N 113-22-29E	6 AAA pieces	
32	Armor	Shang-chuang Ar Bks/Armor Tng Area AL 1	33-08-40N 113-26-30E	13 tanks	
33	Artillery	Chueh-shan Hq Arty Div & Army Bks AL 1	32-48-24N 114-01-02E	93 FA pieces	
34	Artillery	Chueh-shan Stor Area	32-48-10N 114-02-50E	6 AAA pieces	
35	Armor & artillery	Chueh-shan Army Bks AL 2	32-48-59N 113-53-06E	1 tank, 3 armored vehicles 2 FA pieces	
36	Armor	Chueh-shan Army Bks AL 6	32-48-20N 113-47-20E	25 tanks	
37	Armor	Pi-yang Armor Training Area	32-39-40N 114-31-30E	13 tanks	
38	Armor	Pao-feng Prob Armored Veh Maint Fac	33-52-10N 113-04-00E	3 armored vehicles	
39	Armor & artillery	Hing-chiang Hq Inf Div & Army Bks	32-29-06N 114-00-50E	29 tanks, 7 armored vehicles 4 FA pieces 3 poss FA pieces 61 AAA pieces	
40	Armor & river-crossing equipment	Hsin-yang Inf Sch/Bks A Veh Maint Fac	32-08-01N 114-03-04E	3 tanks, 2 prob SU-76 assault guns 3 poss armored vehicles 18 prob pontons	The pontons were loaded on carriers.
41	Artillery	Cheng-chou Army Bks North	34-48-20N 113-39-30E	16 AAA pieces	Ten of the AAA pieces were in two nearby villages.

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Table 2. Continued					
Item	Sighting	Location	Geographic Coordinates	Order-of-Battle	Remarks
42	Artillery	Ying-hao Army Bks	34-46-04N 111-39-09E	6 FA pieces	
43	Artillery	Ying-hao Army Bks AL 1	34-47-00N 111-38-50E	3 prob FA pieces	
44	Artillery	Ying-hao Army Bks AL 3	34-46-30N 111-38-50E	6 FA pieces	
45	Artillery	Ying-hao Army Bks AL 2	34-47-05N 111-38-15E	4 prob FA pieces	
46	Artillery	Cheng-chou Prob AAA Div Hq A Army Bks	34-47-00N 113-40-10E	12 57MM AAA pieces 9 37MM AAA pieces 3 270-lb AAMG pieces 13 poss 4-ton REEFLEY trucks	
47	River-crossing equipment	Hsin-hsiang Army Bks North	35-20-05N 113-51-20E	8 TFP/TMP pontons	The pontons were loaded on carriers.
48	Artillery	Fai-sha Enns Army Bks West	34-23-00N 112-31-30E	12 FA pieces	
49	River-crossing equipment	Shang-chiu-hsien Army Bks SW AL 3	34-23-04N 113-34-40E	2 pontons 13 poss pontons	The pontons were loaded on carriers.
50	Artillery	--	36-02-40N 114-25-00E	6 FA pieces	
51	Artillery	--	35-36-00N 114-06-25E	10 FA pieces	
52	Artillery	--	35-35-05N 114-09-20E	4 poss mortars	
53	Artillery	--	35-34-40N 114-08-30E	3 FA pieces	
54	Artillery	--	35-34-30N 114-03-15E	6 prob 130MM field guns 6 tracked prime movers	
55	Artillery	--	34-48-10N 113-26-50E	8 AAA pieces 8 large cab-over-engine trucks	
56	Artillery	--	34-46-00N 113-14-50E	6 AAA pieces	
57	Artillery	--	34-40-50N 113-20-00E	9 prob AAMG pieces	
58	Artillery	--	34-38-20N 113-19-00E	9 prob AAMG pieces	
59	Artillery	--	34-42-10N 113-08-30E	6 AAA pieces	
60	Artillery	--	34-16-10N 113-23-20E	5 FA pieces	
61	Artillery	--	34-06-50N 113-07-10E	6 FA pieces	
62	Rocket launcher	--	33-58-10N 113-45-00E	11 poss rocket launchers	
63	Artillery	--	32-32-50N 114-21-20E	3 FA pieces	
64	Artillery	--	32-30-10N 114-18-55E	6 AAA pieces	
65	Artillery	--	32-30-30N 114-16-50E	6 AAA pieces 9 prob AAMG pieces	
66	Artillery	--	32-28-20N 114-18-00E	6 AAA pieces	
67	Artillery	--	32-24-30N 114-42-00E	24 AAA pieces	
68	Artillery	--	32-29-30N 114-21-50E	3 FA pieces	
69	Armor	--	32-23-50N 114-02-50E	6 tanks	The tanks were canvas-covered and on flatcars.
70	Artillery	--	32-21-50N 114-29-10E	4 FA pieces	
71	Artillery	--	32-10-00N 114-21-10E	12 AAA pieces	

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complete summary of weapons and equipment was determined by searching both known targets as well as the entire province for dispersed weapons (see Table 2).

BASIC DESCRIPTION

3. Elements of three separate river-crossing units were newly identified in October 1972. Two pontons on carriers and 13 possible pontons on carriers were at Shang-chiu-hsien Army Barracks Southwest AL 3. Eighteen probable pontons on carriers were identified at Hsin-yang Infantry School Barracks and Vehicle Maintenance Facility. Eight TPP/TMP pontons on carriers were at Hsin-hsiang Army Barracks North (Figure 2).

4. Six tanks on flatcars were identified on a southbound train, 4 nautical miles south of Ming-chiang, at 32-23-45N 114-02-50E (Figure 3).

5. Dummy tanks constructed of earth were observed in three armor training areas. Fifteen dummy tanks were identified in Pi-yang Armor Training Area. Thirty-four were in Lin-hsien Armor Training Area, and three were in Ku-hsien Tank Training Area.

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